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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant : Ralf Reimelt et al.  
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Title : Apparatus for determining and/or monitoring the filling level of a product in a container  
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**RESPONSE**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

The following amendments to the claims are being submitted pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 41.54 and 1.197.